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Rochester Recount

Laboa Defeated, Calls for Recount

Despite losing by a narrow, five-vote margin in the April 12 Annual Town Election, Rochester incumbent candidate Gary Laboa has officially called for a recount of the election results. Mr. Laboa, who garnered 530 votes while newcomer Dan McGaffey edged him out with 535 votes in his bid for a second three-year term on the Board of Selectmen, sent a memo to Town Clerk Naida Parker on Tuesday, April 18, advising he intends to file an official request for a recount well within his 10-day window of opportunity.

Although he was undecided as to whether he would request a recount immediately after learning the results of the election, Mr. Laboa said he received many calls from supporters over the weekend — some of whom expressed regret at not voting — urging him to pursue a recount.

At press time further details of the recount process were yet to be determined, but Mr. Laboa said he would request a recounting of the ballots by hand with a representative for each candidate present to address any potential concerns or challenges.

Making Friends

Enjoying Single Life on the South Coast

By Nancy MacKenzie

If you are looking for ways to meet fun-loving single people in the South Coast area, South Coast Singles might be for you.

Newly organized, South Coast Singles is a small,

but growing, group of local people who want to make friends, share interests and activities, and meet other single people in a safe, non-threatening environment.

"It isn't about dating," said founder Lori Bardwell. "It's about enjoying being single."

Ms. Bardwell said she started the group because she realized many organized activities in the area focused on attracting couples. Also, many of the groups that she had an opportunity to become a part of consisted of married couples who were considerably older than her.

"Married people shouldn't be the only ones having fun," Ms. Bardwell said, explaining that South Coast Singles was designed with the intention of giving single people an opportunity "to have someone to do fun stuff with."

"For the first time in my life, I am enjoying being



Above: Loft School students (back row, l. to r.) Henry Ucci, Caroline Walsh, Mia Beams, (front row, l. to r.) William Garcia, Seamus Fearons, Sam Gordon and John Egger pose with the fundraising sign at the school playground in Marion which they hope will soon be renovated and improved. Behind the sign is the school's President of Fundraising Jill Fearons. (Photo by Nancy MacKenzie).



Above: Members of the South Coast Singles Group — which was founded by residents in Mattapoissett — recently met at a member's house for a rousing round of the game Twister. The non-profit group is currently comprised of about 13 members and is open to singles ages 35 to 55.

On the cover: Seven-year-old Nicole Winkler recently took advantage of the beautiful spring weather by searching for seashells along the Reservoir Beach area of Mattapoissett. Nicole was in town visiting her grandmother, Delores Winkler, for Easter weekend. (Photo by and courtesy of Kathy Winkler).

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single," Ms. Bardwell said. "This group gives me an additional opportunity to meet quality people with whom I can spend my time with."

"During the first few meetings we sat around and got to know each other," said John Bescherrer, organizer for the group, who also resides in Mattapoisett. Then South Coast Singles began to plan activities. At one event, the group had dinner at the Kinsale Inn in Mattapoisett. At another, they enjoyed a pot luck supper and dancing at a mill loft in New Bedford. More recently, they played Twister and ate lamb kabobs at a member's house.

"Some people come looking for dates and potential relationships, and get a chance to make a few friends along the way," said Mr. Bescherrer.

Plans for the near future include dinner parties, a sailing trip to Martha's Vineyard, kayaking on the Westport River, and a bonfire on the beach. Members are encouraged to participate in the event planning.

Right now the group is comprised of 13 members. South Coast Singles invites members from Wareham to Westport, said Mr. Bescherrer. Events are designed for single adults between the ages of 35 and 55.

The organization is non-profit and everyone contributes to pay for activities and functions.

The next meeting will be held at Turk's Sushi Bar on Route 6 in Mattapoisett on Friday, April 21 at 7:00 pm.

Interested people are encouraged to log onto the South Coast Singles web site at <http://singles.meetup.com/499/>. This is a site where you can place information about yourself and your interests to share with others. Visitors to the site have to register (it's free) in order to see the group's events and view information on other members. This is done in an attempt to see that member information isn't made available to spammers and to help the organizers plan group events.

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School Support

Loft School Focuses on Fundraisers By Nancy MacKenzie

The Loft School, a non-profit cooperative preschool in Marion, is holding a Walk-A-Thon and Fitness Fair on Saturday, May 6. The school is hoping to raise \$5,000 to repair and redesign its playground which is located next to Saint Rita's Church on Front Street.

Anyone can participate in the Walk-A-Thon, said Jill Fearons, fundraiser for the school. "The whole

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community gets to use the playground, so we are really encouraging community involvement and participation."

The event will feature a guided walk around Silvershell Beach. In addition, there will be a Mad Science presentation at 11:30 am, Yoga with Tim Donahue at 12:30 pm, and Toe Jam Puppet Band at 2:00 pm. The Walk-A-Thon itself will begin at 1:00 pm, and it will be short and easy enough for young children and the elderly to take part in.

Mad Science has donated a 45-minute presentation that will deliver unique and entertaining hands-on science experiments for children. Mad Science is run by Marion resident Allen Converse. He has donated to Loft School fundraisers for the past few years.

Tim Donahue, a yoga instructor in Marion, has donated 30 minutes of his time to guide participants in stretching and yoga prior to the walk.

The Toe Jam Puppet Band will entertain children with a unique combo of original and interactive songs and stories.

Additionally, face painting will be provided by parents of the Loft School, and healthy snacks have been donated by the local community.

The playground is located on property owned by Saint Rita's church, and it is badly in need of renovation. Ms. Fearons says the playground needs sand, gravel, new climbing structures, and a new swing set. It has been well over ten years since the playground has been renovated.

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"We need it to be safe and interesting for the children," said Ms. Feron, who is in her fourth year as fundraising president. "This is my last year and I would really like to see something good happen."

The Loft School is a non-profit cooperative which is managed and directed by parents of participating children. Parents or grandparents help in their child's classroom once a month for three to four hours. During this time parents assist the teacher with classroom activities. The parent "helping requirement" is scheduled in advance so that parents have time to make necessary arrangements. This cooperative effort gives parents an opportunity to be an integral part of their child's learning environment. Additionally, because of the parental involvement, the rates to attend the preschool are less than those of a traditional profit-based preschool.

Initiated 44 years ago by two women who lived in Marion, the school currently has 36 families participating in the cooperative.

Registration for the Walk-A-Thon and Fitness Fair is \$5. Registration and sponsor forms are available



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Marion Selectmen's Meeting

April 18, 2006

By Kenneth J. Souza

A regular meeting of the Marion Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, April 18 at 7:00 pm by Chairman Jonathan Henry. Also present were Selectman Andrew Jeffrey, Selectman David Pierce, Town Administrator Jack Dolan, and Secretary Helene Craver.

Chairman Henry first noted the sad passing Mary P. Nicholson and Josephine Jennings and asked for a moment of silent for both longtime Marion residents. Ms. Nicholson was an Assessor with the town for some 20 years, and Ms. Jennings was the wife of former longtime Marion Harbormaster George Jennings.

After approving the minutes of the March 21 and April 4 meetings, the board met with Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Director Jeff Habicht along with members of the EMS department to discuss the recent suggestion to place the town's ambulance service under a third-party billing service.

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some figures to the Board of Selectmen," Mr. Habicht said. "It is felt that through billing the Marion EMS could be (self-supported). That's the dollars and cents end of it."

According to Mr. Habicht, he provided the town's EMS call volume and breakdown of services to Comstar, which is one of the most widely used ambulance billing services in the area, and they estimated the Marion EMS could bring in approximately \$150,000 a year based on that information.

"We currently operate on a budget of just over \$93,000 ... Comstar would take about 10 percent for billing expenses, so we'd have to determine how (many calls) would be written off," Mr. Habicht said.

Based on this preliminary information, Mr. Habicht said the Marion EMS could become a self-sufficient town department by billing for its services. However, he noted there would be several implications to consider, including: a reduction in taxes currently paid to fund EMS; an increased cost to operate EMS as members seek payment for what was previously done on a voluntary basis (training, meetings, town events); increased cost due to administrative costs for billing; individuals would be responsible for co-pays, deductibles and any charges if they do not have medical insurance; non-residents will be responsible for fees when rendered care; a possible reduction in donations which currently pay for ambulance and equipment; and the inability to provide routine transfers as the Marion EMS may be unable to bill for these ser-

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"I appreciate your stand, however we're not talking about charging individuals here, we're talking about charging insurance companies," Chairman Henry said. "The basic health care system in this country is based on health benefits. There is no plan to make this a full-time service, this will remain a part-time service. The public I interact with overwhelmingly supports the call service."

"We would be obliged to bill everyone, whether they were insured or not," Mr. Dolan clarified. "However, the length to which we go to collect would vary ... if the insurance does not pay the claim."

Mr. Habicht said based on a straw poll of about 21 current EMS members, the vast majority seemed content to keep the Marion EMS department as-is and not go to a third-party billing model.

"I guess I understand you have feelings and you want to keep (EMS) as it is, but if we decide to go to a billing (service) ... why would volunteers then want to be paid?" asked Selectman Jeffrey.

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"This isn't an attempt to make EMS a 'profit center,'" Selectman Jeffrey said. "That's not our intent. We're just looking at a possible way of capturing additional revenues. We understand there are consequences and we'll certainly take that into account. Things do change and we cannot do things the way we've done them just for the sake of doing them. We have to look at the whole picture, not just tradition and history."



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At 8:00 pm the board met with Reg Foster of the ORCTV Board of Directors to discuss the cablecasting of various town committees and boards and also the Verizon Cable Licensing procedure.

"As many of you know, Verizon is entering the cable television business and they met with (Mr. Dolan) earlier this year ... about plans for Marion," Mr. Foster said. "Clearly changes are happening. But by and large, I think they are changes most of us would welcome. If you have (another) provider, it would allow for more competition and better prices. At the last ORCTV Board of Directors meeting, we unanimously voted to ask all three Boards of Selectmen to join forces again and initiate the licensing procedure with Verizon ... and also engage Special Counsel William Solomon to represent the towns."

In addition, Mr. Foster requested the board appoint both Town Administrator Jack Dolan and himself as the town's representatives in negotiations with Verizon.

With that, the board unanimously voted to sign and endorse letters to Verizon and the Department of Telecommunications and Energy (DTE) supporting the accelerated Verizon license process; to appoint William Solomon as Special Cable Counsel to represent the town in negotiations with Verizon; and also to appoint Mr. Dolan and Mr. Foster as the town's representatives on the negotiating team with Verizon.



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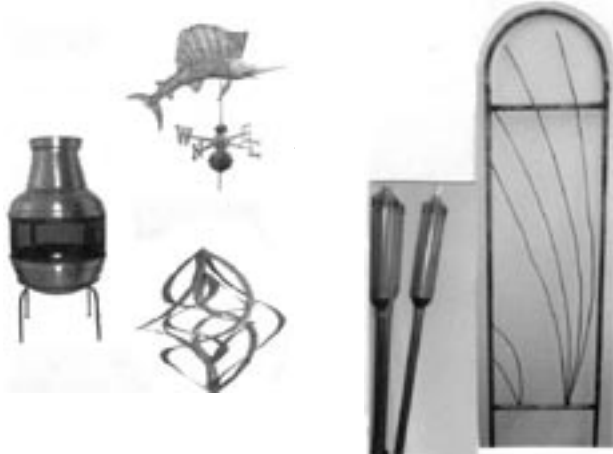
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Mr. Foster next discussed plans for cablecasting various board and committee meetings for the Town of Marion in anticipation of bringing Marion's government channel (Channel 95) online, which will likely be ready to broadcast by June 1. The board supported the recommended purchase of a remote camera system for the Town House Conference Room whereby they could cablecast regular meetings either live or via tape delay.

In other matters, the board:

- Reviewed and approved the 28-article Annual Town Meeting warrant along with a two-article Special Town Meeting warrant within the Annual as presented by Mr. Dolan. The Town Meeting will commence at 6:45 pm on Monday, May 15 in the auditorium of Sippican School.

- Appointed the following as Assistant Harbor-masters / Assistant Shellfish Officers: John Potito; Bud Holland; Kyle Letendre; Mike Paoella; and Chris Washburn.

- Appointed the following as Assistant Harbor-masters for emergency call-out purposes: Scott Cowell; Vin Malkoski; Chet Smith; George Jennings; and John Farnham.

- Approved a one-day wine / malt license for the Marion Music Hall on July 9; and one-day all-alcohol licenses for the Sippican Tennis Club (June 16, July 15 and 22); the Marion Social Club (May 13); and the Marion Music Hall (July 29).

- Appointed Police Chief Lincoln Miller as the



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- Received a request from Lars V. Olson for clarification on the current regulations regarding renovating, expanding or building a new home within the velocity zone when the property is currently hooked up to the Town of Marion public sewer system. Mr. Dolan said he will research this matter further with Department of Public Works (DPW) Superintendent Rob Zora and report back to the board.

There being no further matters to consider in Open Session, the board unanimously voted to go into Executive Session at 9:00 pm with Town Counsel Jon Witten to discuss strategy with respect to litigation and would

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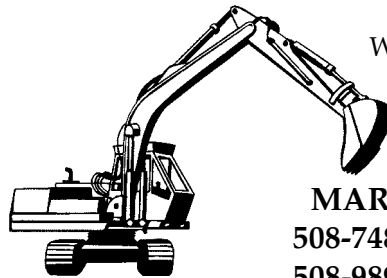
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thereafter adjourn for the evening.

Rochester Selectmen's Meeting

April 18, 2006

By Eletha M. Yeaton

A regular meeting of the Rochester Board of Selectmen was called to order on Tuesday, April 18 at 7:00 pm by Acting Chairman Bradford Morse. Also present were newly-elected Selectman Dan McGaffey, Town Administrator James Huntoon, and Administrative Assistant Veronica Lafreniere. Selectman Richard Nunes was not present for the meeting.

The first item of business was the reorganization of the Board of Selectmen. Selectman McGaffey nominated Bradford Morse as Chairman and Richard Nunes as Vice Chairman. Both were unanimously approved by the board. Chairman Morse then nominated Dan McGaffey as Clerk, which also was approved.

Town Administrator James Huntoon then explained a written request from Old Rochester Community Television (ORCTV) Board of Directors President Kenneth Souza to have the Board of Selectmen vote to allow them, in conjunction with the two other towns, to hire Attorney William Solomon to go forward with negotiating with Verizon as a second cable provider in the tri-towns. Mr. Souza also requested the board appoint Mr. Huntoon and Vincent Ryan as the town's representatives in negotiations with Verizon. The board unanimously voted to approve



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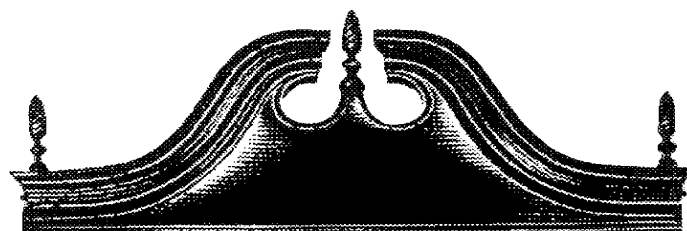
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both requests.

After necessary signatures, Mr. Huntoon reported the request for permission to have a Multiple Sclerosis Bike Tour through the town on June 24, which was approved by the board.

The board next voted to appoint:

- Susan Peterson as a delegate to Southeast Regional Planning and Economic Development District (SRPEDD);
- Jeffrey Eldridge as a delegate to Joint Transportation and Planning Group (JTPG);
- Benjamin A. Gilmore II to the Board of Appeals, 2008; and
- Richard J. Manning to the Zoning Board of Ap-



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In addition to the letters requesting appointments, a report was received from Massachusetts Municipal Association (MMA) outlining the Chapter 70 shortfall for all towns in the Commonwealth for the coming fiscal year and indicating the change per pupil.

Under Old Business, the board voted to approve payment of an invoice for \$5,224.75 from Town Counsels Perry, Hicks, Crotty and Deshaies, LLP, for legal services rendered.

Several New Business items were voted on or discussed. Since former Selectman Gary Laboa had represented the board in police contract negotiations, Selectman McGaffey recommended Chairman Morse to this

position, which was approved.

A Public Safety Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 25 with the Selectmen, department heads, and representatives from the police, fire, and highway departments for a roundtable discussion.

Mr. Huntoon reported that a letter had been sent to Mr. Mikowski asking him to stop using town property until he appears before the Board of Selectmen for usage permission. This is in process and he will be coming before the board, which agrees his maintenance of the property is a distinct advantage to the town.

The Board of Selectmen next requested citizens to volunteer to serve on a screening committee for the purpose of drafting a job description and helping the Board of Selectmen screen applicants for the position of Town Administrator. A resident asked if this was a prerogative of the Personnel Department, but it is not, since it involves a contracted position under the purview of the Board of Selectmen.

A letter was received from former Selectman Gary Laboa, who was present, informing the board he was submitting an official request for a recount of the recent election results to Town Clerk Naida Parker.

There being no further matters to come before the board, they unanimously voted to adjourn for the evening at 7:25 pm.

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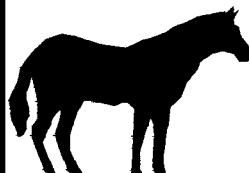
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By Erica Nelson

Strong Season

Old Rochester Regional High School's athletic teams continued their impressive spring season last week.

The **Girls Softball Team** played Apponequet High School last week winning the game with a final score of 3-1. Junior outfielders **Kayla Reusch** and **Carrie Estabrook** teamed up with sophomore **Jess Hinman**, starting center fielder, to play well in the outfield for ORR. **Jess Nye** and **Meghan Fusaro** each had run-scoring singles for the Bulldogs. This past Monday afternoon the girls banked another win against Martha's Vineyard's team with a final score of 3-1. Junior power house **Hope Benjamin** contributed 2 solo home runs to the scoreboard. The girls will face Seekonk and Dighton-Rehoboth in the upcoming week.

The **Boys Basketball Team** will play Dighton-Rehoboth and Coyle Cassidy High School in the upcoming week.

The **Boys Track Team** is working hard for their meet next week against the mighty Seekonk team. With Seekonk being a stronghold in the league, and defenders of the SCC title, the Bulldogs have their work cut out for them. However, still riding high from their victory last week, the team believes they have what it takes to win.

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Buzzards Bay Regatta

The Buzzards Bay Regatta (BBR) has named **iBoattrack** the Presenting Sponsor for the upcoming 2006 event. **iBoattrack** is an interactive mapping website created by Horizon Marine of Marion. Using notebook-size tracking devices, this new technology allows anyone to go to their website (www.iboattrack.com) to follow one



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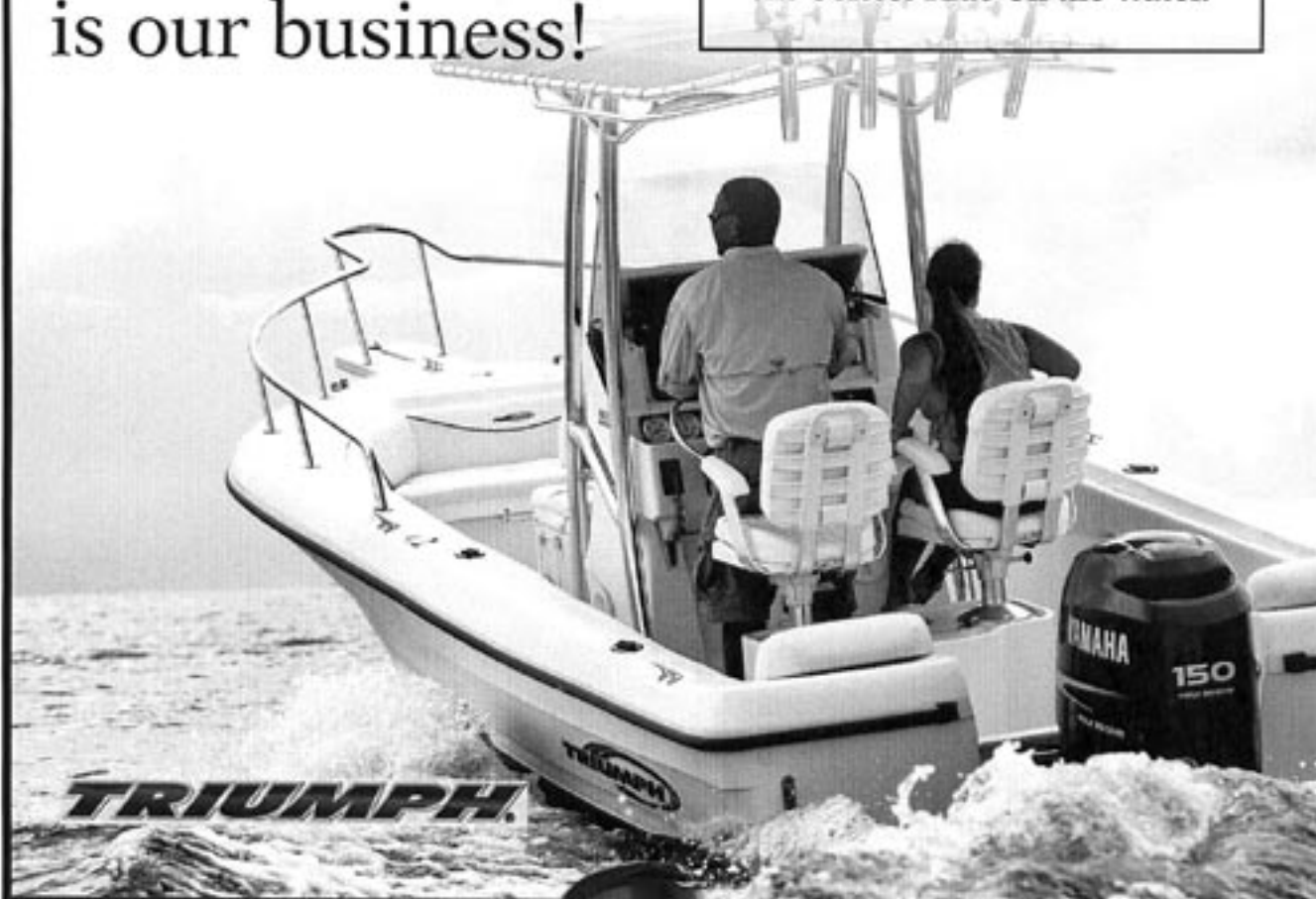
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The BBR website provides all the official information, NOR, and other racing details including exciting pictures from past years: www.buzzardsbayregatta.com. Competitors can now register online for the event.

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The Academy will take place May 7 to June 11 (May 7, 14, 21, June 4 and 11). The Academy will run for five weeks. There will be no sessions on Memorial Day weekend. The programs will run for one hour on Sunday afternoon from 1:00 to 2:00 pm or 2:00 to 3:00 pm. Players will be assigned to a time slot. The Academy will take place on the Mariner Soccer Fields in Fairhaven.

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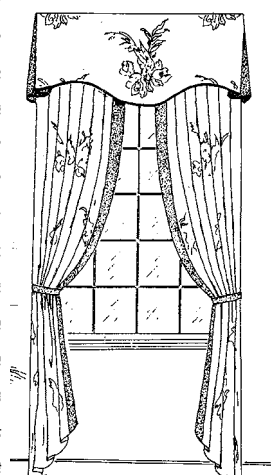
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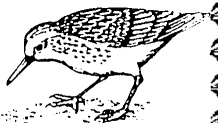
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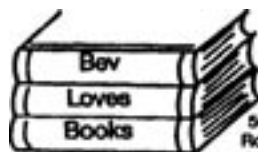
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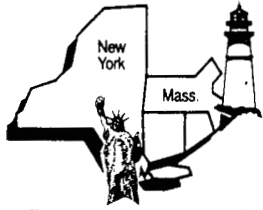
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To the Editor:

Three years ago, I ran my first marathon in Anchorage, Alaska with Team in Training to support the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. With your help and support, I was able to raise \$3,600 to battle Leukemia and related cancers. Well, here we are three years later ... unfortunately still without a cure. So, I'm back!

This year my race will be closer to home, both geographically and emotionally. I plan to run the Reckson Long Island Half Marathon (yep, 13.1 miles all at once!) on May 7, 2006 in honor and support of a very special little friend.

Willie, a four-year-old younger brother of my first grade student, was diagnosed with brain cancer last July. Since July, Willie has needed numerous rounds of chemotherapy and radiation to combat his brain tumor. He is still courageously



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I'm writing because I need your help! Even more important than my physical commitment to the race is my commitment to raise funds for the Gauvin family. Your donation will go directly to the family, which will help with Willie's medical expenses. A fund has been established through (the ORR) School District for fundraising efforts. *Please make all checks payable to "Old Rochester Junior High School" and be sure to write "K. Gauvin" on the memo line.* Every little bit helps! I will continue to collect donations past the marathon date, through June 1. As I run the half marathon, you will be with me in spirit, and your sponsorship will inspire me to run stronger and faster to the finish line. Please mail all checks directly to me at the following address: Jennifer Steudte, 95 County Road, Marion, MA 02738.

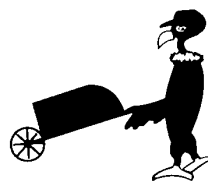
Thank you so much for your support and generous contribution. I greatly appreciate your help!

Sincerely,
Jennifer Steudte
Marion

To the Editor:

We have made it a point not to use the newspaper as a forum for settling disputes. It is time, however, to correct the misinformation being presented by some with facts regarding the Rochester Historic District. The Historic District was overwhelmingly supported at Town Meeting in 1999. The boundaries of the district were drawn: to reflect the Master Plan Survey,

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We will keep you advised as to ongoing changes, exhibits and new works through our ads and website. Debra and I will be at the gallery daily through April and invite you to stop by. Once again, thank you for your unwavering support which has made our life in the art world both successful and personally fulfilling.

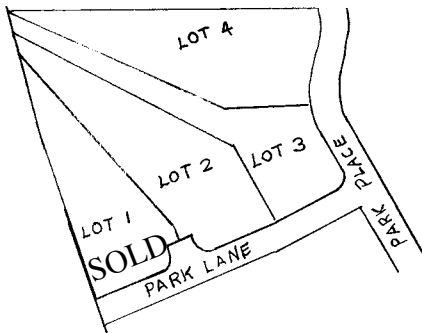
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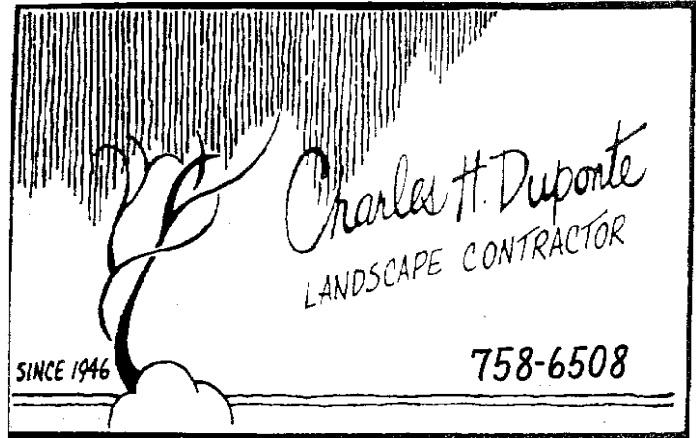


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in which 85 percent responded in favor of preserving the unique character of our town center; to support the high concentration of historic properties in the center; and to preserve the early settlement patterns of the Town of Rochester.

One of our neighbors whose property has never been, or asked to be, included in the district continues to attack the district and the commission with unfounded information. The commission has not cost Youth Baseball money. Youth Baseball, in its quest to install park lights at Gifford Park (an historic park which provides the setting for a number of significant historic buildings in the district), has cost the town unnecessary funds in legal fees by not wishing to abide by the commission's findings. There were no conditions placed on the Certificate of Appropriateness recently issued for the park light application submitted for the Youth Baseball field at Dexter Lane, also within the Historic District.

The Historic District Commission has never received an application for, nor denied, the placement of a swing-set in a yard within the district. We completely supported the Library Trustees' premise that to replace the library's windows with near-exact replicas would be cost prohibitive. The architect on our commission actually spent a great deal of his own time doing drawings and talking with the Library Trustees in order to help locate the product that would best reflect the design and look of the original windows to be replaced. Together we produced a product that is energy and maintenance efficient, satisfies the by-laws of the Historic District as voted at Town Meeting, and enabled the town to do the project within budget.

The Rochester Historic District Commission, according to the by-laws, reviews external architectural and structural changes to existing structures and new construction that can

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be seen from a public way. We do not get involved in reviewing colors, window boxes or other minor carpentry projects. We have spent a great deal of time and effort in finding the right combination of consistency, fairness and legality in interpreting the by-laws. We have only denied one application since 1999. We continue to encourage the Massachusetts Historical Commission to adjust the governing by-laws to further simplify the application process.

It has been said by a few that the commission operates from "arrogance." We might ask folks to think in terms of "dedicated" to preserving the unique, historical architectural qualities that define Rochester Center; "grateful" to the residents of the district who continually make the extra effort to preserve the center; and "hopeful" that we can all work together to keep Rochester the historically significant rural New England village

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The Wanderer is once again pleased to announce we are now soliciting nominations for our thirteenth annual "Wanderer Keel Awards." The yearly community service honor — which is presented to one resident from each of the three central towns in our circulation area — will be announced in our **May 25, 2006** issue and each winner will be the subject of a short feature highlighting their contributions to the local community. But *The Wanderer* needs your help in selecting these "unsung heroes."

The requirements are simple. Nominees must be legal residents of Mattapoissett, Marion, or Rochester (at least five years), and must have contributed in some way to the overall benefit of the community — either directly



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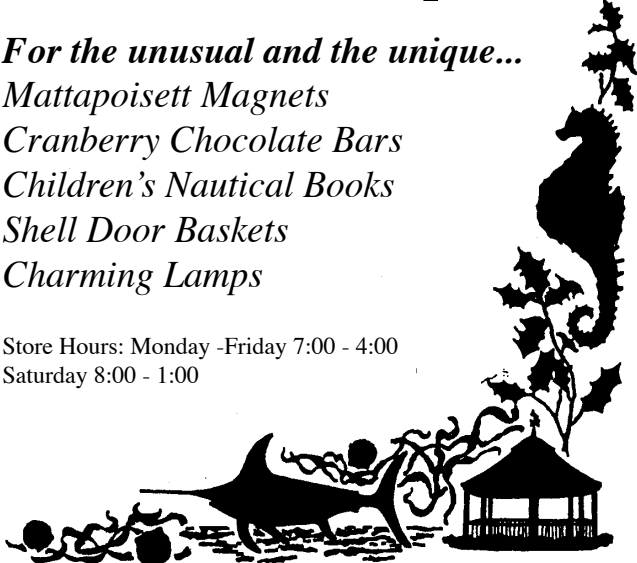
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In doing this, we hope to applaud those who are rarely recognized for their countless hours of service and focus on the many people "behind the scenes" who remain otherwise anonymous but provide crucial support to many town functions. Like the keel of a ship which keeps the vessel from capsizing, the recipients of the Annual Wanderer Keel Award will be recognized for their stalwart efforts in keeping the community on an "even keel."

Past recipients of this honor have included:

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The deadline for nominations is **Friday, May 19, 2006 at 3:00 pm.** Selected recipients will be contacted by telephone on Tuesday, May 23 prior to being announced in the May 25 issue. Staff members of *The Wanderer* and employees of Wanderer Communications are not eligible for consideration.

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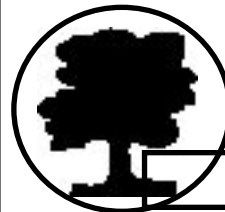
- Mattapoisett School Committee: Monday, May 1 at 7:00 pm at Center School.
- ORR District School Committee: Tuesday, May 2 at 6:30 pm at ORR High School.
- Marion School Committee: Wednesday, May 17 at 6:30 pm at Sippican School.
- Rochester School Committee: Thursday, May 18 at 6:00 pm at Memorial School.

Mattapoisett Town Meeting

The Annual Town Meeting for Mattapoisett is scheduled for May 8, 2006 at 7:00 pm at the Old Rochester Regional High School Auditorium. All registered voters are encouraged to attend.

At Town Meeting, PowerPoint or other audio-visual presentations are limited to 10 minutes in total. Only one audio-visual presentation per side for any warrant article or issue before the meeting will be allowed. Anyone wishing to do an audio-visual presentation must meet with Town Moderator John A. Eklund prior to Town Meeting so that he may review the presentation to assure that it is within the time limit and is limited to the issue before the meeting. The only exception to the 10-minute rule is the annual presentation on the town budget and finances by the Finance Committee.

Town Moderator Jack Eklund will be available at the Mattapoisett Town Hall on Wednesday, May 3 from



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Annual town meeting is May 8th, 9th, and 10th (and maybe 11th also). We the people of Mattapoisett in order to form a more perfect town must be more than ready to give a good showing of quality time on the town meeting floor. More quality time spent here will help shorten our work in the near future.

We must take control of the annual town meeting warrant articles. A terrible wedge is being driven between the fine people of Mattapoisett (very intentionally). All articles in this year's warrant relating to elected officials in options of appointed positions must be defeated to maintain control of Mattapoisett government. The will of the people must be protected. The officials of Mattapoisett must follow the will of the people. Overly expensive articles must not move forward at this time. The Community Preservation Act (CPA) is additional tax on the taxes we already have and is just another name for eminent domain. The town should not be in the real estate business at any level. Open space and land trust are being lost by simple votes on the town meeting floor (example: Tinkham Forest Trust).

Our ancestors left England for a life of freedom in a new land (America). Reasons for doing this include:

1. Get out from under British rule.
2. To rid themselves of kings and queens and British royalty.
3. To become real people instead of commoners.
4. To gain freedom and the will of the people will become their own government foundation of a free life.

The will of the people can and must prevail! Nowhere on earth does democracy's life and death border so closely together as on the town meeting floor. This is where we can maintain the control of our elected officials and our entire government body. Appointed positions are hard to control. We must get a very good voter turn out for this very important annual town meeting. We need a lot of support on the elected highway surveyor article. It must be defeated once and for all. We have three men running for the office this year. The Community Preservation Act needs serious attention to prevent a tax on our taxes. CPA is nothing but another name for eminent domain. We need a large voter turn out to kill these tax-rising issues.

I encourage everyone to attend town meeting to help maintain control of our town officials. Please help!

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Rochester Master Plan

Rochester Town Planner Randall Kunz announced the Rochester Master Plan will hold a Forum on Land Use matters related to zoning, types of housing (condos, apartments, single-family homes, etc.), open space for recreation, and the need for business and industry. The forum is open to all residents and land owners in Rochester and is to be held beginning at 9:00 am on Saturday morning, April 29 at the Rochester Senior Center on Dexter Lane. Please come and bring your neighbor.

Mattapoisett Machacam Club

The Machacam Club will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, May 3 at the American Legion Hall on Depot Street. Social time is 5:30 pm, with dinner service at 6:00 pm. The speaker this month will be Seth Mendell, and his subject will be the Years Between the Wars (1918 - 1938) including Mendell Electric, Marconi Wireless, the Roaring 20s, Prohibition and Rum Running. Sounds like a real "don't miss" talk. Callers are reminded to report their lists no later than 9:00 pm on May 1 by calling 508-758-9311.

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Voice of the Faithful

The South Coast Affiliate of Voice of the Faithful (VOTF) will be meeting on Thursday, April 20 at the Friends' Meeting House, 103 Marion Road (Route 6) in Mattapoisett from 7:00 to 9:00 pm. All are welcome. For more information, please look at VOTF's website at www.votf.org, or e-mail wsbamb@verizon.net.

Mattapoisett Poetry Reading

Come for an afternoon of shared poetry at Friends Meeting House, 103 Marion Road, Mattapoisett on Sunday, April 23 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. Poet Nancy Paquin, ORR Class of '63, will share stories about the evolution of her poetry and read from her eclectic collection of portraits, ocean and nature, New Hampshire and haiku. She will read a poetic tribute to women and end her part of the program with "A Montage of Snapshots: Impact America."

Ms. Paquin has been reading her work and presenting poetry workshops for over 20 years. Her poem "Of New Hampshire" was published in the anthology *The*

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Best Poems of 2003. Author of "Wait Till You See the Rainbow I've Planned" and "My Used To Be Husband," Ms. Paquin said, "My love for poetry began when a veteran came to Center School to recite Wordsworth's "Daffodils." At Center School my writing was encouraged by my teachers Miss Cushman, Mrs. Blethen and Mrs. Root. The Mattapoisett Library provided a wealth of books — biographies, stories about children from other countries and, of course, the Alcott series."

Ms. Paquin will be joined by Margot Wizansky, editor of the recently-released *Rough Places Plain: Poems of the Mountains*. Published by Salt Marsh Pottery Press with illustrations by JP Powel and cover art by Wizansky, this is the second in a series of anthologies of the natural world. The first is "Mercy of Tides: Poems for a Beach House."

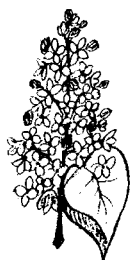
Ms. Wizansky said, "For everyone who has experienced mountains, *Rough Places Plain* gathers poems from all over the U.S. and from several other countries, many by well-known poets such as Christopher Buckley, William Greenway, Jane Hirschfield, Denise Levertov and more. Whatever calls you to the mountains — the clear light, the pure air, the sense of danger; or to hold the mountains as a back-drop, a distant icon — these poems illuminate your experience."

Mattapoisett Library Director Judy Wallace's poem "Bitter Root Range" is included in this anthology, as is the poem collectively written by the 2004 gathering.

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COA Outing

The next Marion COA Outing will be on April 6 to the Kingston Mall and will stop in Carver for lunch or tea. On April 20 the COA will go to the Providence Place Mall. Please call the office (508-748-3570) to reserve your spot.

PaxSox Game

The following is a list of possible dates to attend a Pawtucket Red Sox game, depending on response: May 11, game time is 12:05; July 20 at 12:05; and May 29 at 1:50. Please call the COA office (508-748-3570) with your preference.

Mattapoisett Community Guild

The Women's Community Guild of the Mattapoisett Congregational Church will next meet on Tuesday, April 4 at 12:00 noon at the church. The program will feature Reverend Virginia Child, who will speak on dog training. Guests are welcome.

Mattapoisett Town Clerk

Office Hours

Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm; second and fourth Tuesday of the month until 6:00 pm.

Dog Licenses

2006 dog licenses were due by April 1, 2006. Be sure to license your pet before late fees go into effect. Your dog's rabies vaccination must be up to date, and if your pet has been spayed or neutered since you last licensed, we will need to see the spaying/neutering certificate. The fee is \$7 for spayed or neutered and \$10 if not. If the pet owner is 70 years of age or older, the license is free of charge but the rabies and spaying/neutering certificates are still necessary. If you have questions regarding this, please call the office at 508-758-4103 extension 2.

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Mooring, Wharf, Skiff Bills

There is currently a late fee in effect. These bills were mailed out on February 1 and were due and payable 60 days from the billing date, April 1, 2006. Please be sure that your boat excise tax is paid before submitting payment for renewal of Mooring, Wharf and Skiff space. Payments will not be accepted if there are any outstanding fees.

Wait List Bills

Wait List bills were mailed on March 1. They are due and payable 60 days from the billing date, May 1, 2006. If you did not receive a bill and feel that you should have, please call the Town Clerk's Office at 508-758-4103 extension 2.

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Marion Chicken Barbecue

The Benjamin D. Cushing Post 2425 Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) in Marion announced a Texas-style "Take Out Only" Chicken Barbecue for Sunday, April 9 at the VFW Pavilion on Route 6 in Marion. Pick up is between 12:00 noon and 1:00 pm and the menu will feature a half chicken barbecued, potato salad, Blue Lake green beans, cranberry sauce, roll and butter, and dessert. Donation is \$8 per person. For tickets and more information, please call Robert Demeo at 508-748-1080; Joe Napoli at 508-748-2799; Gabby McWilliams at 508-295-9558; Joe Zora at 508-748-0573; or Ernest Halunen at 508-295-4718.

Plumb Memorial Library

Chess Club

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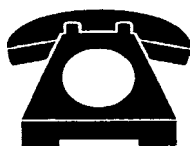
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The group will meet on the fourth Saturday of every month from 12:00 noon to 1:30 pm and is facilitated by Chris Maxim.

Yu-Gi-Oh Club

The Yu-Gi-Oh Club meets the second Saturday of every month from 12:00 noon to 1:30 pm to play the card game. Experienced players are teamed up with other players and facilitator Michael Maxim will teach beginners how the game is played. Please give the library a call at 508-763-8600 to reserve a spot!

Tween Craft

Also on the second Saturday of the month, Tween Craft will meet from 10:30 am to 12:00 noon, offering crafts of a more advanced nature for ages 8 and up. Sign-up in advance is needed for this program by calling 508-763-8600.

Trustee Vacancy

The Trustees for the Joseph H. Plumb Memorial Library in Rochester are seeking to fill a vacant seat on their board. The Trustees would like to invite members of the Rochester community who have an interest in libraries to attend the April 8 meeting where they can learn about the role of the Trustee and how the elected board functions.

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For more information on the vacancy and its requirements, please come to the meeting on April 8 or contact Library Director Olivia Melo at 508-763-8600 for more information.

Library Hours

The Plumb Memorial Library in Rochester is open Monday, 1:00 to 8:00 pm; Tuesday, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm; Wednesday, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm; Thursday, 1:00 to 8:00 pm; Friday, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm; and Saturday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Mattapoisett Bird Club

The Mattapoisett Land Trust (MLT) Bird Club Meeting will take place on Thursday, April 27 from 6:30 to 8:00 pm in the cafeteria of Center School, 17 Barstow Street in Mattapoisett. The MLT is sponsoring the creation of a new bird club for adults. Mike Labossiere, a well-known bird enthusiast from Mattapoisett, will be leading the group. The first topic will be backyard birding. This will include setting up feeding stations to maximize the variety of birds; learning about how spring migrations impact the birds that are common for this time of year; how to recognize the different species by sight as well as sound; and much more.

Handouts will be provided and follow-up bird talks will be scheduled. Future activities will be discussed and will be determined by the membership. There are also plans to form a similar children's group in the near future. A one-time fee of \$10 (\$5 for MLT members) will be col-



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Mattapoisett Boy Scouts

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Marion Town Clerk

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Marion Town Clerk/Treasurer/Tax Collector Debra Blanchette would like to remind Marion taxpayers that the fiscal year 2006 fourth quarter real estate and personal property taxes are due May 1. Tax bills, which included payment coupons for both the third and fourth

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Town Meeting/Election

The last day to register to vote for the Town of Marion's upcoming Annual Town Meeting and Annual Election is Tuesday, April 25, 2006. The Town Clerk's office will be open that day for voter registration from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm.

The Annual Town Meeting will begin on Monday, May 15, 2006 at 6:45 pm in the Sippican School Auditorium and the Annual Town Election will be held at the Marion Music Hall, 164 Front Street, on Tuesday, May 30, 2006 from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm.

Voters may also register during regular Town House business hours: Monday - Thursday, 8:00 am to 4:30 pm; and Friday, 8:00 am to 3:30 pm.

If you have any questions, please contact Town Clerk/Treasurer/Tax Collector Debra Blanchette at 508-748-3505.

Commission on Disability

The Mattapoisett Commission on Disability (MCOD) is a volunteer referral agency for all Mattapoisett residents who are permanently or temporarily disabled. Anyone in need of services is encouraged to contact the commission by leaving a message at the Town Hall at 508-758-4100, extension 0 and then extension 2, or by phoning MCOD Chairman Gary Jezierski at 508-758-9885. Citizens

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The Mattapoisett Council on Aging (COA) is located in Rooms C130 and C140 at Center School in Mattapoisett. Please enter through the main entrance, parking across the street near the church Carriage Shed or in the school parking lot. The center is open 9:00 am to 3:00 pm, Monday through Friday, and the phone number is 508-758-4110.

- Friday, April 21 – Shaws Trip 8:30 am; Weight Training 9:30 am; Yoga Class 10:45 am; Fire Department Presentation with Chief Ron Scott 1:00 pm;

- Saturday, April 22 – Lion's Club Turkey Dinner 12:00 noon (please call the COA at 508-758-4110 to reserve a space);

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- Wednesday, April 26 – Water Aerobics 8:00 am; Yoga Class 10:45 am; Lunch with Kindergarten 12:00 noon; Bingo 1:00 pm;

- Thursday, April 27 – Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program 9:00 am; Public Health Nurse 9:30 to 11:30 am; Lindsey's Restaurant 12:00 noon;

- Friday, April 28 – Shaws Trip 8:30 am; Weight Training 9:30 am; Yoga Class 10:45 am; Movie: *Grumpy Old Men* 1:00 pm;

- Sunday, April 30 – Free Concert by the Sippican Choral Society at 3:00 pm at the Unitarian Church in Fairhaven (local COAs and nursing homes are invited to attend, so please call the COA at 508-758-4110 to arrange for a ride).

Coming Up: Lunch at Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School in Rochester on Thursday, May 4 at 12:00 noon. Please call 508-758-4110 by April 27 to reserve a space.

Bourne Bridge Delays

Painting of the Bourne Bridge, over the Cape Cod Canal, has resumed as warmer spring weather allows the bridge work to continue.

Painting and rigging work that requires bridge land restrictions will occur seven days a week through April. The hours of lane restrictions will be from 7:00 am to 5:00 pm daily in April.

The painting work will continue into May, but stop before the Memorial Day Holiday weekend to avoid traffic congestion. Since the work is weather-dependent,

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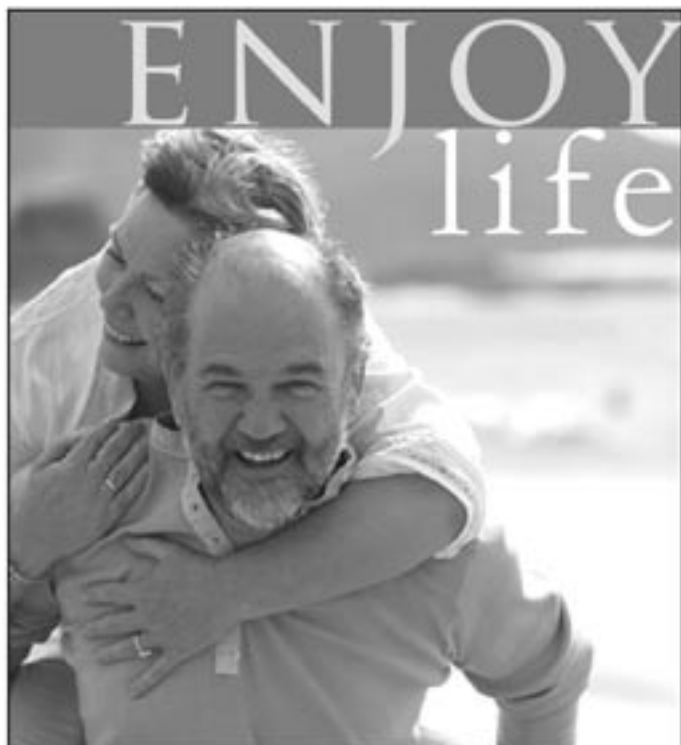
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Mattapoisett Congregational Church

The Mattapoisett Congregational Church is having a Spring Health Kit Drive for personal care items which are to be sent worldwide. In 2005 some 859,000 health kits were distributed by Church World Service to areas affected by Katrina and to countries around the world. Each health kit contains: one comb, one bar of bath soap, one wash cloth, one hand towel, one toothbrush, one tube of toothpaste, six band aids, one nail clipper with file or one nail file. Bins for these items and jars (for monetary contributions) will be located at the church (corner of Church and Mechanic Streets) and throughout the community. The goal is to assemble 150 health kits (to commemorate Mattapoisett's upcoming 150th anniversary) by early May.

Mattapoisett Transfer Station

The summer hours for the Mattapoisett Transfer Station are now in effect as follows: Tuesday through Saturday, 8:00 am to 3:00 pm. If you have any questions, please call the Mattapoisett Board of Health at 508-758-4100, extension 8.

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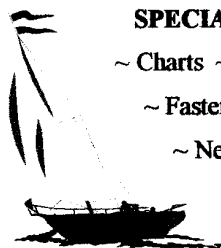
Old Rochester Youth Football and Cheerleading (ORYF) is off and running and trying to raise funds to support its inaugural year of Pop Warner football. Starting in August, the new program is set to have over 180 kids from Mattapoisett, Marion, and Rochester participate in Pop Warner tackle football and cheerleading. ORYF will

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- Saturday, April 29 at the Mattapoisett Fire Station (Route 6) from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm (raindate April 30).

The group is also planning an additional car wash for May and a golf tournament for June. Businesses interested in making a tax-deductible donation to the program or placing an "ad" in the game program, which will be available at all home games, should contact Tom Flynn at 508-565-1413 or visit www.oryf.com.

Mattapoisett Tax Bills

The fourth quarter of 2006 Actual Tax Bills are

due May 1, according to Treasurer/Tax Collector Brenda Herbeck. Tax bills, which included payment coupons for both the third and fourth quarters were mailed on December 31, 2005. Taxpayers should have retained the fourth quarter payment coupon for payment due by May 1. No other notification will be mailed. There will be a 50-cent charge for reprinting a tax bill.

To avoid long lines at the Tax Collector's Office, taxpayers are encouraged to mail their payments to P.O. Box 1596 or use the drop-off box (located in the wall to the left of the front door of Town Hall). Taxpayers are encouraged to register for making on-line payments on the eBill website at www.mcc.net. By using eBill taxpayers can have their payments withdrawn from their checking



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Please call the Tax Collector's Office at 508-758-4100, extension 1 for questions regarding payments. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Relay for Life

The Relay for Life of the Tri-Town is holding an informational meeting for anyone interested in the 21-hour walk being held by the American Cancer Society (ACS). The walk raises money for the support services provided by the ACS for cancer patients. The Relay for Life will be held June 9-10, 2006 at ORR High School. For those interested in participating in this endeavor, you are invited to attend the Team Captain meeting on Tuesday, April 25 in the ORR High School Library at 6:30 pm. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please call Bonnie Davidson at 508-858-4076 for more information.



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COA Outing

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PaxSox Game

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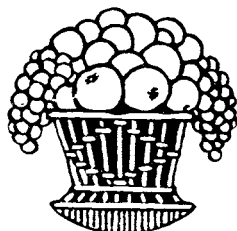
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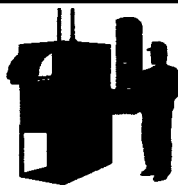
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The group will meet on the fourth Saturday of every month from 12:00 noon to 1:30 pm and is facilitated by Chris Maxim.

Yu-Gi-Oh Club

The Yu-Gi-Oh Club meets the second Saturday of every month from 12:00 noon to 1:30 pm to play the card game. Experienced players are teamed up with other players and facilitator Michael Maxim will teach beginners how the game is played. Please give the library a call at 508-763-8600 to reserve a spot!

Tween Craft

Also on the second Saturday of the month, Tween Craft will meet from 10:30 am to 12:00 noon, offering crafts of a more advanced nature for ages 8 and up. Sign-up in advance is needed for this program by calling 508-763-8600.

Quilters Wanted

The Plumb Memorial Library is seeking individuals who are interested in starting up a Quilter's Group at the library. All skill levels are invited. This group would meet at the library every Monday evening from 6:30 to 8:00 pm in conjunction with the well-established Knitter's Group. If you'd like to join or know someone who would be interested in participating, please contact the library at 508-763-8660 for more information.

Knitting Group

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Library Hours

The Plumb Memorial Library in Rochester is open Monday, 1:00 to 8:00 pm; Tuesday, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm; Wednesday, 10:00 am to 6:00 pm; Thursday, 1:00 to 8:00 pm; Friday, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm; and Saturday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Rochester Tax Bills

Rochester Tax Collector Thomas Gayoski, Jr. has announced that the Tax Bills for the second half of 2006 have been mailed and are due May 1, 2006. For more information, please contact his office at 508-763-3887, extension 16.

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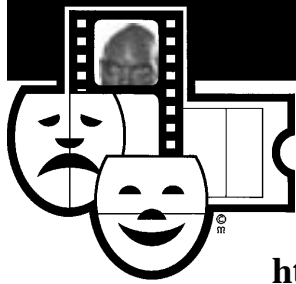
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MOVIE REVIEW

Paltry Parody

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Scary Movie 4. Starring Anna Faris and Regina Hall. Directed by David Zucker. Running time: 83 minutes. MPAA rating: PG-13.

When *Airplane!* came out twenty-five years ago, it didn't depend on our knowledge of the *Airport* movies to be funny. It used the basic *Airport* situation as a clothesline on which to hang jokes that would've been funny in any context. For that reason, *Airplane!* is still considered a comedy classic. I wonder if anyone will

be watching *Scary Movie 4* twenty-five years from now and calling it a classic. I'd guess not, and the reason is that it depends far too heavily on specific movie parodies, as all the *Scary Movies* have. These new parodies are built for audiences *now*, and built to make money *now*, with pop-culture references as up-to-the-minute as the filmmakers can manage. In a quarter of a century who's even going to remember that Tom Cruise went on Oprah's show and made an ass of himself? Who's going to remember Dr. Phil? Or Chingy?

Scary Movie 4 will need to be annotated for the viewers of 2026 to understand it, and it almost needs to be annotated now. It assumes you've seen *The Grudge*, *The Village*, last summer's *War of the Worlds*, the *Saw* movies, and even *Million Dollar Baby*. How all these movies are mooshed together to make a coherent plot is a mystery the screenwriters haven't really solved. Then again, the very contrivance of somehow linking the hero and heroine from *War of the Worlds* and *The Grudge* is part of the movie's ramshackle appeal, I guess.

Not that there's much continuity running through the *Scary Movie* franchise, but series star Anna Faris is back as Cindy Campbell, the intrepid blonde who does whatever goofy thing the movie requires at any given moment. Faris is a good sport, and she has a certain slapstick charm, though I'd like to see her doing more films like *Lost in Translation*. Stepping into the Tom Cruise role is series newcomer Craig Bierko, who doesn't look a lot like Cruise and doesn't really bother to act like him either. Other returning *Scary Movie* veterans are Charlie Sheen (in an over-the-top Viagra gag), Anthony Anderson (who throws himself gamely into a *Brokeback Mountain* parody, which would've been funnier if I hadn't already seen the film parodied to death and beyond on



the Internet), and old trouper Leslie Nielsen, reminding us wistfully of the brighter days of *Airplane!* and the *Naked Gun* movies.

Not only does *Scary Movie 4* assume you've seen the films it roasts, it assumes you *enjoyed* them. For my part, as I watched farcical recreations of every other scene in *War of the Worlds*, I was thinking, "Y'know, I already sat through *War of the Worlds* once. I don't really need to watch it again." Director David Zucker, one of the minds behind *Airplane!*, has a knack for aping the costumes and sets of *Saw* and *The Grudge* and the tripods of *War of the Worlds* — but so would any of us, given the budget. Zucker even reprises the boring Tim-Robbins-in-the-cellar scene from *War of the Worlds* (with Michael Madsen standing in for Robbins), though nothing at all comes of it aside from a garbled monologue from Madsen that proves he couldn't be funny if humor were water and he fell into a pool.

I chuckled a few times — mainly at irrelevant dialogue ("I saw a face." "Did it have a nose?" "Yes." "Sounds like a face, then") that reminded me of the old "And don't call me Shirley" days. But it's clear enough that *Scary Movie 4* wasn't made for me. Nor was it even really made for its target audience — it was made for Miramax, to deliver it a big opening weekend. (It worked.) These things will continue to be made every couple of years as long as they make money and there are popular horror movies for them to parody — putting this lifelong horror fan in the weird position of hoping that every horror movie in the next two years flops. Doesn't seem likely, even though the genre is stuck in the most unimaginative rut it's seen since the slasher boom of the '80s; among the trailers I saw before the movie was one for the upcoming remake of *The Omen*. That trailer, sad to say, was funnier to me than anything in *Scary Movie 4*.

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Ice Age 2: The Meltdown (PG) – 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00
The Wild (G) – 1:05, 3:10, 5:05, 6:55, 8:50
Inside Man (R) – 1:00, 3:55, 6:50, 9:45
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Silent Hill (R) – 1:25, 4:05, 7:10, 9:35
The Sentinel (PG-13) – 1:30, 4:20, 7:05, 9:30
Scary Movie 4 (PG-13) – 1:10, 3:10, 5:10, 7:20, 9:25
The Wild (G) – 1:00, 2:50, 4:45, 6:50, 8:50
Ice Age 2: The Meltdown (PG) – 1:05, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00
The Benchwarmers (PG-13) – 1:15, 3:15, 5:15, 7:15, 9:10
Take the Lead (PG-13) – 1:20, 4:10, 6:55, 9:25
Failure to Launch (PG-13) – 1:25, 4:15
Inside Man (R) – 6:45, 9:20

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Friends with Money (R) – Fri: 3:45, 7:35, 9:30; Sat: 1:40, 3:45, 7:35, 9:30; Sun: 1:40, 3:45, 7:35; Mon-Thur: 3:45, 7:35
American Dreamz (PG-13) – Fri: 4:15, 7:20, 9:35; Sat: 1:30, 4:15, 7:20, 9:35; Sun: 1:30, 4:15, 7:20; Mon-Thur: 4:15, 7:20
Don't Come Knocking (R) – Fri: 3:55, 7:10, 9:40; Sat: 1:10, 3:55, 7:10, 9:40; Sun: 1:10, 3:55, 7:10; Mon-Thur: 3:55, 7:10
Thank You For Smoking (R) – Fri: 3:35, 7:25, 9:20; Sat: 1:20, 3:35, 7:25, 9:20; Sun: 1:20, 3:35, 7:25; Mon-Thur: 3:35, 7:25
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Shakespeare in Rochester

The Drama Club at Rochester's Memorial School is proud to announce the production of William Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. Rehearsals for the play will take place on April 24, April 25, April 26, April 27, and April 28 from 3:00 to 5:15 pm. Dress rehearsals with set design in place will be staged on May 1, 2 and 3 from 3:00 to 5:15 pm. An in-school performance will take place on Thursday, May 4 at 9:30 am with a final public performance planned for Friday, May 5 at 7:00 pm. Tickets will be available at the door and admission price is a donation of \$7 per person.

The cast will include 27 fifth and sixth grade students from Memorial School along with one second grade student. The technical crew is comprised of eight fifth and sixth grade students, all under the direction of teacher Danni Kleiman. Set designs are by Jody Church, costumes by Kate Tarleton, choreography by Tracy Talbot, and music director is Mike Amaral.

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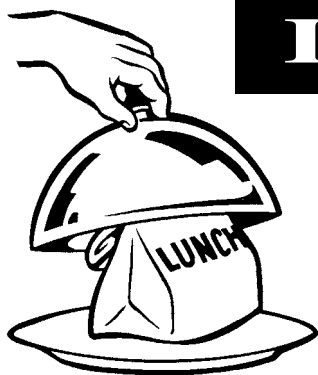
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Wednesday, April 26: Roast pork with applesauce gravy, oven roasted potatoes, glazed carrots, white bread, spice cake, diet waffle grahams.

Thursday, April 27: Vegetable soup, barbecue chicken, au gratin potatoes, dinner roll, orange.

Friday, April 28: Macaroni and cheese casserole, escalloped tomatoes, apple muffin bread, peaches in light syrup.

• CENTER SCHOOL MATTAPOISETT

Monday, April 24:

Cheddar cheeseburger, lettuce/tomato, oven baked fries, chicken noodle soup, fresh fruit, milk/water.

Tuesday, April 25: Baked chicken breast, buttered noodles, steamed peas, tomato soup, fruit cup, milk/water.

Wednesday, April 26: Baked ziti, garlic bread, tossed salad, minestrone soup, fresh fruit, milk/water.

Thursday, April 27: Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, carrots, cranberry sauce, chicken noodle soup, apple slice, milk/water.

Friday, April 28: Cheese pizza, tuna roll, tossed salad greens, clam chowder, orange slices, milk/water.

• MEMORIAL SCHOOL ROCHESTER

Monday, April 24: Cheddar cheeseburger, lettuce/tomato, oven baked fries, chicken noodle soup, fresh fruit, milk/water.

Tuesday, April 25: Baked chicken breast, buttered noodles, steamed peas, tomato soup, fruit cup, milk/water.

Wednesday, April 26: Baked ziti, garlic bread, tossed salad, minestrone soup, fresh fruit, milk/water.

Thursday, April 27: Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, carrots, cranberry sauce, chicken noodle soup, apple slice, milk/water.

Friday, April 28: Cheese pizza, tuna roll, tossed salad greens, clam chowder, orange slices, milk/water.

• OLD COLONY REGIONAL VOKE HIGH SCHOOL

Monday, April 24: Steak 'Um and cheese, turkey wrap, French fries, green beans, fruit.

Tuesday, April 25: Grilled hot dog, chili, potato chips,

carrots, cookie.

Wednesday, April 26: Turkey club, ham and cheese, spicy fries, peas, peaches.

Thursday, April 27: Orange juice, taco, quesadilla, salsa, corn, tortilla chips, mixed fruit.

Friday, April 28: Pizza, fishwich, pretzels, veggie sticks, apple.

• OLD HAMMONDTOWN SCHOOL MATTAPOISETT

Monday, April 24: Cheddar cheeseburger, lettuce/tomato, oven baked fries, chicken noodle soup, fresh fruit, milk/water.

Tuesday, April 25: Baked chicken breast, buttered noodles, steamed peas, tomato soup, fruit cup, milk/water.

Wednesday, April 26: Baked ziti, garlic bread, tossed salad, minestrone soup, fresh fruit, milk/water.

Thursday, April 27: Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, carrots, cranberry sauce, chicken noodle soup, apple slice, milk/water.

Friday, April 28: Cheese pizza, tuna roll, tossed salad greens, clam chowder, orange slices, milk/water.

• OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JR. AND SR. HIGH SCHOOLS

Monday, April 24: Cheddar cheeseburger, lettuce/tomato, oven baked fries, chicken noodle soup, fresh fruit, milk/water.

Tuesday, April 25: Baked chicken breast, buttered

noodles, steamed peas, tomato soup, fruit cup, milk/water.

Wednesday, April 26: Baked ziti, garlic bread, tossed salad, minestrone soup, fresh fruit, milk/water.

Thursday, April 27: Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, carrots, cranberry sauce, chicken noodle soup, apple slice, milk/water.

Friday, April 28: Cheese pizza, tuna roll, tossed salad greens, clam chowder, orange slices, milk/water.

• SIPPICAN SCHOOL MARION

Monday, April 24: Cheddar cheeseburger, lettuce/tomato, oven baked fries, chicken noodle soup, fresh fruit, milk/water.

Tuesday, April 25: Baked chicken breast, buttered noodles, steamed peas, tomato soup, fruit cup, milk/water.

Wednesday, April 26: Baked ziti, garlic bread, tossed salad, minestrone soup, fresh fruit, milk/water.

Thursday, April 27: Chicken nuggets, mashed potato, carrots, cranberry sauce, chicken noodle soup, apple slice, milk/water.

Friday, April 28: Cheese pizza, tuna roll, tossed salad greens, clam chowder, orange slices, milk/water.

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TRI-TOWN POLICE LOGS



MARION

The following log highlights are for the week of April 9 through April 17, 2006:

- Rocky Knook Lane – motor vehicle accident/hit and run/property damage, adult arrests: 2 (disorderly conduct, disturbing the peace, malicious damage to motor vehicle, operating under the influence of liquor, negligent operation of motor vehicle, speeding)
- Point Road – motor vehicle accident/personal injury, adult arrest (operating under the influence of liquor)
- Spring Street – vandalism/past
- Front Street – family disturbance/adult arrest (disorderly conduct)
- Route 195 West – motor vehicle accident/personal injury
- Planting Island Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Wareham Road – disturbance
- Mill Street – larceny/past
- River Road – larceny/past
- Route 195 East – motor vehicle accident/property damage
- Spring Street – suspicious person
- Benson Brook Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- Hill Street – motor vehicle accident/personal injury
- Rocky Knook Lane – suspicious person
- Pumping Station Road – breaking and entering/past.

MATTAPOISETT

The following log highlights are for the week of April 9 through April 15, 2006:

- Acushnet Road – vandalism
- Harbor Neck Road – vandalism
- Fairhaven Road – vandalism
- Marion Road – animal control
- County Road – vandalism
- Knollwood Drive – vandalism
- Field Street – property found
- North Street – larceny/forgery/fraud
- Acushnet Road – disturbance
- Fairhaven Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- County Road – larceny/forgery/fraud
- County Road – motor vehicle accident/hit and run/property damage
- County Road – unwanted person
- Ned's Point Road – suspicious persons
- Acushnet Road – civil complaint
- Fairhaven Road – structure fire
- County Road – motor vehicle accident
- County Road – suspicious persons
- Ocean View Avenue – disturbance
- Homestead Court – stolen property
- Pine Island Road – vandalism
- Homestead Court – animal control
- River Road – disturbance
- Highland PC Avenue – brush fire
- Shady Oak Drive – animal control
- Gosnold Street – animal control
- Main Street – assist other agency
- Ned's Point Road – suspicious motor vehicle
- North Street – parking complaint.

ROCHESTER

The following log highlights are for the week of April 11 through April 18, 2006:

- Cushman Road – motor vehicle accident
- Pine Street – suspicious activity
- High Street – fire
- New Bedford Road – erratic operation of motor vehicle
- North Avenue – suspicious motor vehicle
- Mary's Pond Road – breaking and entering
- Bishop Road – animal control
- Dexter Lane – property found/lost/recovered
- Jasons Lane – ambulance request
- Pine Street – keep the peace
- Braley Hill Road – adult arrest (operating with suspended license)
- Mattapoisett Road – motor vehicle accident
- Rounseville Road – adult arrest (person under 21 in possession of alcohol)
- County Road – civil complaint
- Cranberry Highway – adult arrest (warrant)
- Neck Road – larceny/forgery/fraud.



CHANNEL 9 PUBLIC ACCESS PROGRAMMING SCHEDULE

Please note that this schedule may be subject to change. For an updated program listing, please visit www.orctv.org.

Thursday, April 20, 2006

2:00 PM Army Newswatch
3:00 PM ORCTV Bulletin Board Announcements
3:30 PM Café Central
4:00 PM Anatomy of the Teen Brain
6:00 PM Around the Town with ORCTV- Marion Council on Aging
6:30 PM Inside The ORR
7:00 PM Introduction to Tai Chi
7:30 PM Rochester Baseball Parade Opening Day 4/8/06
7:45 PM Rochester Safety Day 4/1/06
8:00 PM No Place Like Home
9:00 PM World at Your PC
9:30 PM Penny Dreadful's Shilling Shocker

Friday, April 21, 2006

2:00 PM ORCTV Bulletin Board Announcements
5:00 PM The Doctor is in
5:30 PM Swept Away TV
6:00 PM Army Newswatch
6:30 PM P.A.C.E. Monthly
7:00 PM Marion Selectmen Meeting
9:00 PM The Doctor is in
9:30 PM Mattapoisett Meeting on Wind Power 4/12/06

Sunday, April 23, 2006

10:00 AM Music and The Spoken Word
10:30 AM Café Central

Monday, April 24, 2006

6:00 PM Rochester Fire Department 100th Anniversary 2005
6:30 PM White House Chronicle
7:00 PM Physician's Focus
7:30 PM P.A.C.E. Monthly
8:00 PM Capitol Perspectives with Senator Edward Kennedy
8:30 PM Commonwealth Report with Senator Pacheco
9:00 PM Polish Hour

Tuesday, April 25, 2006

2:00 PM Soundings
2:30 PM World at Your PC
3:00 PM Physician Focus
3:30 PM Introduction to Tai Chi
7:00 PM Swept Away TV
7:30 PM Wild Bill's Watercolors

8:00 PM Rochester Baseball Parade Opening Day 4/8/06
8:15 PM Rochester Safety Day 4/1/06
8:30 PM Around the Town with ORCTV- Marion Council on Aging
9:00 PM Bull Dog TV
9:30 PM Anatomy of the Teen Brain

Wednesday, April 26, 2006

5:00 PM The Doctor is In
5:30 PM Life Under a Wind Turbine
6:00 PM Army Newswatch
6:30 PM Inside the ORR
7:00 PM ORR Jazz Band Concert
7:30 PM Café Central
8:00 PM Wild Bill's Watercolors
9:00 PM The Doctor is In

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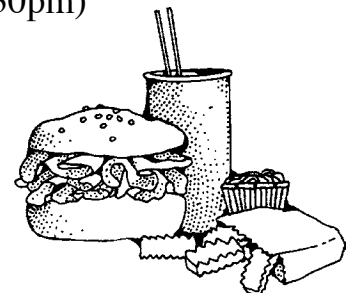
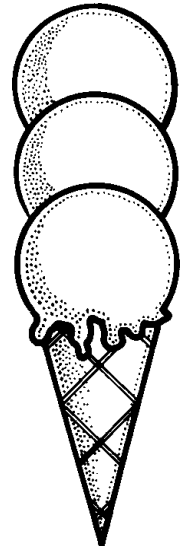
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23 Plummer or Pays
24 Riddle: Part 1
27 Encountered
28 Caddie competitor
30 Flicka's food
31 Cliff hanger?
32 The Chipmunks, e.g.
33 Houston athletes
37 Covenants
38 Riddle: Part 2
43 Pindaric poetry
44 Libertine
45 Lo mein land
46 Culp/Cosby series
48 "Three Times a Lady" group
52 Competent
54 — standstill

- 57 High peak
58 Paris' prize
59 Adulterate
61 Singer Campbell
62 Hard to find
63 Certain horse
64 "Rats!"
66 That's no bull!
69 Riddle: Part 3
73 Stadium
74 Diva Maria
76 Stroll
77 Miami's county
79 Hunky-dory
80 Warns
82 Plankton connoisseur
84 Insert dialogue
87 Pro — (for now)
88 Sunflower st.
89 "Utopia" author
91 Self-smitten
93 Broadcast
95 Gymnast Korb
96 Grouch
98 Riddle: Part 4
104 Celts
105 Pack up the tent
106 Boot part
107 Cross words?

- 108 Indian export
109 Hockey's Kolzig
110 Health club
113 Answer to riddle
119 Type of embroidery
121 Porgy part
122 Room without a view?
123 Common contraction
124 622 event
125 Poseidon's domain
126 Model Macpherson
127 Share knowledge
128 Acts like a grandparent

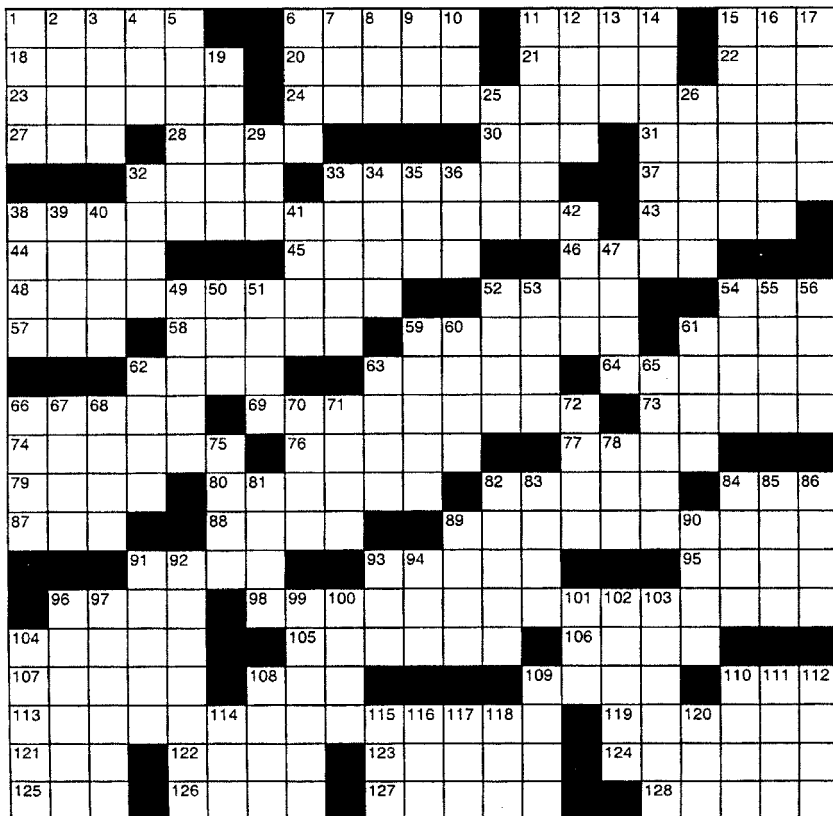
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- 1 Con game
2 Subdue
3 "L—, c'est moi!"
4 Sheridan or Sothern
5 Violin virtuoso
6 Trims the turf
7 "Not spinach again!"
8 Neighbor of Ga.
9 Asian holiday
10 A mean Amin

- 11 Fertilizer ingredient
12 Sore
13 Haggard heroine
14 Fountain offering
15 Tenor Jan
16 Expects
17 Turns over
19 Michael of Monty Python
25 Tell's partner
26 Prepared
29 Westminster winner
32 Swarm (with)
33 Wan
34 Goes downhill fast?
35 Decimal base
36 Nutritional abbr.
38 '77 Richard Harris film
39 Mislead
40 Speed —
41 "God's Little —" ('58 film)
42 Art medium
47 Ooze
49 "Butterfield 8" author
50 Strauss' "— Rosen-kavalier"
51 Couturier
52 Busy as —

- 53 Comic Roseanne
54 — vera
55 "American Bandstand" viewer
56 Novelist Seton
59 Gorp
60 Narcissus' nymph
61 Skirt shaper
62 Depend (on)
63 "Yo!" at the library
65 Brother of Zeus
66 Glasgow guy
67 Daily receipts
68 Jack of "Rio Lobo"
70 Dentist's directive
71 Head set?
72 Cheeseboard choice
75 Literary pseudonym
78 Chicken — king
81 k.d. of country
82 Baby beagle
83 Wolf wail
84 Barbie, Ken, or Chucky
85 Prod
86 Bracelet bit
89 Mine car

- 90 Burrowing critter
91 Ruark's "Something of —"
92 "— makes the heart . . ."
93 Wine word
94 — la-la
96 Stephen King book
97 "Saive —"
99 Swimmer Gertrude
100 Tide type
101 Fashion monogram
102 Teach a tackle
103 Nobles or Nobel
104 Fish hooks
108 Commuter's charge
109 Promise
110 "M*A*S*H" Emmy winner
111 Filf's father
112 Cry of concern
114 Dolores — Rio
115 Milliner's creation
116 Bonanza material
117 Arthur of "Maude"
118 Stateside Ltd.
120 Inflatable item?



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SALOME'S STARS

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Whether a waiting period is taking longer than expected, or just seems that way, the anxious Lamb would do well to create a center of calm within her- or himself, and not do anything rash.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Practical matters dominate the week, but cultural activities are also favored, especially those that can be shared with someone special in the Bovine's life. Some important news might be forthcoming.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You need to know more about a possible career move in order to see if it offers a real opportunity or just a change. You're sure to get lots of advice -- some of it good -- but the decision must be yours.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The arrival of hoped-for good news about a loved one dominates most of the week and provides a great excuse for the party-loving Moon Child to plan a special event to celebrate.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Leos and Leonas rushing to finalize their plans might want to think about slowing down the pace, or risk overlooking an important consideration that could become a sore point down the line.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The week's challenges call for logical approaches. But sentiment also has its place. Sharing memories with a special someone, for example, strengthens the bond between you.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A brand-new approach to a problem could have a good chance of succeeding if it's based on a solid foundation of fact to strengthen its potential for standing up to scrutiny.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A favorable report should give you optimism an important boost as you confront another phase of a challenge. Don't be timid about accepting advice from someone you trust.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You might want to target another goal if your current aim is continually being deflected. But stay with it until you find that first sign of an opening, and then follow through.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Although offers of advice might not always please the usually sure-footed Goat, good counsel is always worth considering, especially from those whose experience can be invaluable.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Don't rush to make up for lost time. Your productivity can be measured not only by what you do, but how you do it. Move carefully until the job is done the way you like it.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Emerging facts about someone you know might cause you to rethink your relationship. But remember to make judgments in context of a full situation, not just on scraps of data.

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The Old Rochester Regional School District will offer the final screening clinic of the school year for children from birth to age 5. It will be held at the Center School, Mattapoisett on Wednesday, April 26 from 12:00 to 3:00 pm. Screenings are available to children from birth to age 3 through the Early Intervention staff from the I.H. Schwartz Center of New Bedford. Screenings for children ages 3 to 5 are available through Center School's early childhood special education team. Families who question their child's development in any area are encouraged to

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TRI-TOWN HAPPENINGS



ABOVE: Maurice and Donald Linhares (right foreground) listen as the Mattapoisett Board of Selectmen and members of the Florence Eastman Post 280 American Legion presented them recently with citations for 50 years of continuous membership with the local Legion. (Photo by Kenneth J. Souza).



LEFT: First Night New Bedford received a prestigious First Foto Award in the First Night International photo contest. This beautiful photograph taken by New Bedford photographer John Robson took the second place runner up award with an image that featured The Toe Jam Puppet Band and Miracle Fish Puppets performing in First Night New Bedford's Peoples Procession while a light wintry snowfall drifted down during the 2006 celebration. For more information or to make a contribution to First Night New Bedford 2007, please contact First Night President Susan Grace at 508-993-1999.

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<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION PLANNING BOARD The Marion Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, May 8, 2006 at 7:30 PM in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House to consider the Special Permit Application under By-law Section 4.2.G by Jessica Kelly to allow a General Retail Establishment under 5,000 sq. ft. Property is located at 156 Front Street and is identified as Plat 14 Lot 62A (3). Peter Winters, Chairman 04/13, 04/20</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS CASE #592 The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 8:00 PM on Thursday, May 4, 2006 in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House, on the application of Robert Raymond for a Special Permit under section(s) 6.1.3 and 6.1.5 of the zoning by-law to allow an addition to an existing non-conforming dwelling. The property, located at 10 Cove Street, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 17 as Lots 79 and 80. Robert D. Wedge, Chairman 04/13, 04/20</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MARION ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS CASE #591 The Marion Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing at 7:30 PM on Thursday, May 4, 2006 in the Main Conference Room of the Marion Town House, on the application of Saltonstall Architects for Rose Mendoza, for a Special Permit under section 6.1.3 of the zoning by-law to allow a screen porch extension to an existing residence that is no closer than 12.5 feet from side property line. The property, located at 63 Pleasant Street, is further identified on Assessors' Plan 16 as Lot 182. Robert D. Wedge, Chairman 04/13, 04/20</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT PLANNING BOARD The Mattapoisett Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, May 1, 2006 at 7:40 PM in the Town Hall concerning the site application of Atlantic Capital Real Estate, Inc. regarding the proposed site improvements located at Fairhaven Road, Mattapoisett, MA and shown as Lot #46 on Assessors Map 11. Complete plans for the project are on file at the office of the Town Clerk and may be reviewed by any interested party during normal business hours of the Clerk's office. Planning Board 04/13, 04/20</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 24, 2006 at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall on a Notice of Intent submitted by John & Sharon Spector, 6 Depot Street, Mattapoisett, MA 02739. The proposed project is to demolish the existing dwelling, deck & shed, remove drive, to fill, construct new dwelling, garage, pool, drive & install utilities. The project is located at 6 Depot Street Road and is further identified as Lot 46 on Assessor Map 10. Conservation Commission 04/20</p>	<p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS #926 Notice is hereby given that the Rochester Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Lisa Hanks, 8 Robinson Road, Assessors plan 36 lot 11, who is seeking a special permit under Section VIII.D.8. to allow horse boarding and a riding facility. The public hearing will be on May 11, 2006 at 7:45 PM in the Conference Room of the Rochester Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way. Richard J. Manning, Jr., Chairman 04/20, 04/27</p> <hr/> <p>Commonwealth of Massachusetts Executive Office of Environmental Affairs MEPA Office 100 Cambridge St., Suite 900 Boston, MA 02114 Telephone 617-626-1020 The following should be completed and submitted to a local newspaper: PUBLIC NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROJECT: Eel Pond Restoration and Improvements, Proposed Dredging, Culvert and Beach Nourishment LOCATION: Eel Pond, End of Railroad Ave, Mattapoisett, MA PROPONENT: Town of Mattapoisett, P.O. Box 435, Mattapoisett, MA The undersigned is submitting an Environmental Notification Form ("ENF") to the Secretary of Environmental Affairs on or before Date 04/18/06 (date) This will initiate review of the above project pursuant to the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act ("MEPA", M.G.L. c. 30, s.s. 61, 62 62H). Copies of the ENF may be obtained from: CLE Engineering, Inc., 15 Creek Road, Marion, MA 02738 (508) 748-0937 (Name, address, phone number of proponent or proponent's agent) Copies of the ENF are also being sent to the Conservation Commission and Planning Board of Mattapoisett (Municipality) where they may be inspected. The Secretary of Environmental Affairs will publish notice of the ENF in the Environmental Monitor, will receive public comments on the project for 20 days, and will then decide, within ten days, if an environmental Impact Report is needed. A site visit and consultation session on the project may also be scheduled. All persons wishing to comment on the project, or to be notified of a site visit or consultation session, should write to the Secretary of Environmental Affairs, 100 Cambridge St., Suite 900, Boston, Massachusetts 02114, Attention: MEPA Office, referencing the above project. By Town of Mattapoisett (Proponent) 04/20</p> <hr/> <p>OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT Marion, Mattapoisett, Rochester, Massachusetts LEGAL NOTICE Pursuant to Chapter 76, Section 12B of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are notified that there will be a PUBLIC HEARING of the Old Rochester Regional District School Committee regarding school choice for the 2006-07 school year at 6:30 PM on Tuesday, May 2, 2006, Old Rochester Regional School District, 135 Marion Road, Mat-</p>	<p>tapoisett, MA. 04/20</p> <hr/> <p>MATTAPOISETT PUBLIC SCHOOLS Mattapoisett, Massachusetts LEGAL NOTICE Pursuant to Chapter 76, Section 12B of the Massachusetts General Laws, you are notified that there will be a PUBLIC HEARING of the Mattapoisett School Committee regarding school choice for the 2006-07 school year at 7:00 PM, on Monday, May 1, 2006 at the Center School, 17 Barstow Street, Mattapoisett, MA 04/20</p> <hr/> <p>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT LEGAL NOTICE CONSERVATION COMMISSION The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, April 24, 2006 at 7:00 PM in the Town Hall on a Notice of Intent submitted by Atlantic Capital Real Estate Partners, LLC, c/o Charles Anderson, 1069 Green End Avenue, Middletown, RI 02842. The proposed project is to construct one roadway, 32 condominium units with portions of the development within the bordering vegetative wetland buffer zone. The project is located at Fairhaven Road, (Route 6) and is further identified as Lot 46 on Assessor Map 11. Conservation Commission 04/20</p> <hr/> <p>LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF ROCHESTER BOARD OF APPEALS #925 The Rochester Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on the petition of the petition of Old Colony Regional Vocational Technical High School, 476 North Avenue, plan 42 lot 2A, who proposes to erect a sign larger than the allowed nine square feet. (Community Bulletin Board). The public hearing will be held May 11 2006, 7:30 PM in the Town Hall Conference Room, 1 Constitution Way. Richard J. Manning, Jr., Chairman 04/20, 04/27</p> <hr/>

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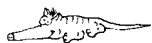
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By Fifi Rodriguez

1. LITERATURE: Which mystery writer created the character called Lord Peter Wimsey?
2. HISTORY: When was the first American "dime novel" published?
3. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Canola is a type of what?
4. ANIMAL KINGDOM: The Rhodesian Ridgeback is a type of what?
5. SCIENCE: The Ptolemaic System says what?
6. ANATOMY: Where would platelets most likely be found in the human body?
7. MOVIES: Which comedy team starred in the 1941 movie "Buck Privates"?
8. RELIGION: The Maronites are a part of which larger religious group?
9. GEOGRAPHY: On what continent is the nation of Tunisia?
10. POLITICS: How many votes in the Electoral College does Florida have?

Answers

1. Dorothy Sayers
2. 1860
3. Oil
4. Dog
5. The Earth is the center of the universe
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7. Abbott and Costello
8. Christianity
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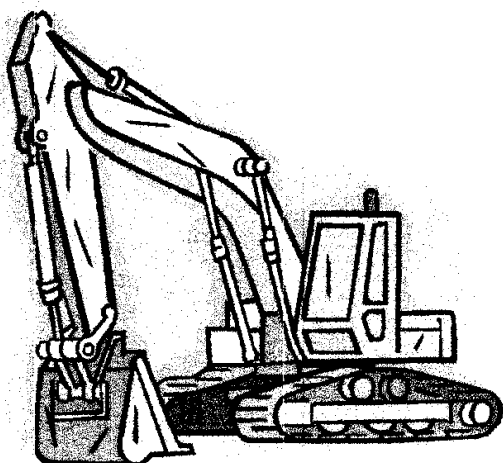
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Mattapoissett Historical Museum

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Application materials for the Young Scholars award are available at www.jackkentcookefoundation.org.

Global Warming in Marion

The Marion Natural History Museum's Annual Meeting will include a presentation titled "Heading for a 'Roasted World,'" a talk and discussion of the possible ramifications of global warming led by John Bullard, who directed the NOAA's Office of Sustainable Development in the Clinton Administration. The event will take place on Wednesday, May 10 at 7:00 pm in the Marion Music Hall.

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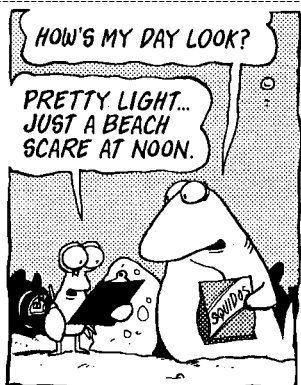
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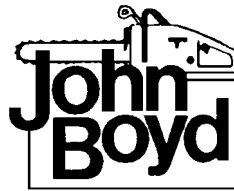
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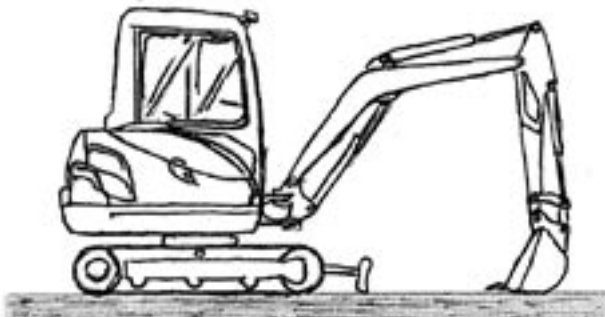
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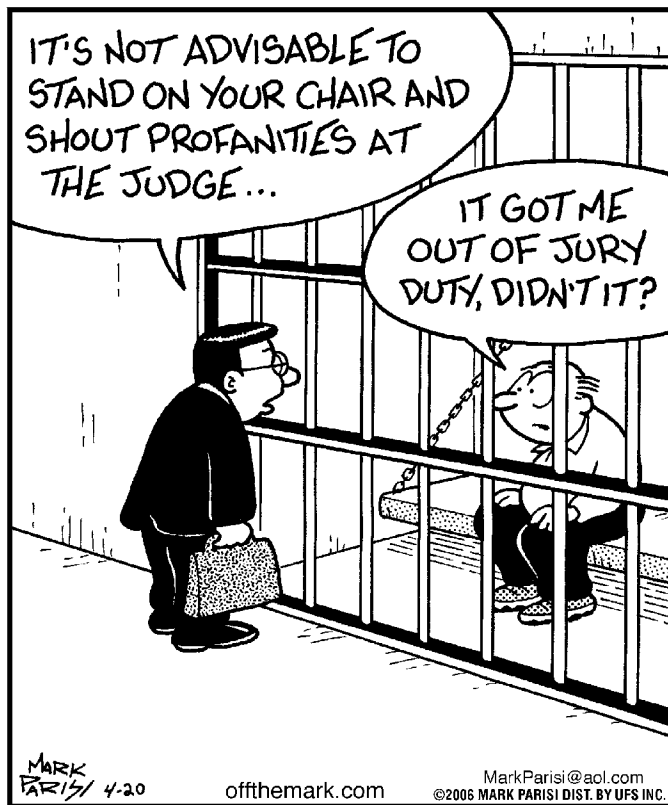
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April 21:	Fri.	2:22	2:57	8:39	8:25
April 22:	Sat.	3:28	4:02	9:56	10:02
April 23:	Sun.	4:35	5:05	10:48	11:15
April 24:	Mon.	5:38	6:04	11:32	...
April 25:	Tues.	6:34	6:57	12:13	12:15
April 26:	Wed.	7:26	7:47	1:06	12:58
April 27:	Thurs.	8:15	8:35	1:56	1:39
April 28:	Fri.	9:03	9:22	2:44	2:22
April 29:	Sat.	9:51	10:10	3:29	3:05
April 30:	Sun.	10:40	11:00	4:12	3:47
May 1:	Mon.	11:31	11:52	4:54	4:30
May 2:	Tues.	...	12:24	5:38	5:16
May 3:	Wed.	12:45	1:18	6:29	6:07
May 4:	Thurs.	1:39	2:13	7:43	7:12
May 5:	Fri.	2:35	3:10	9:13	8:45
May 6:	Sat.	3:34	4:08	10:00	10:10
May 7:	Sun.	4:32	5:00	10:35	11:02

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